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In Re Application of:  
Paul C. Coffin, et al.

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For: RECONFIGURABLE CARTRIDGE  
PROCESSING MODULE FOR STORING  
CARTRIDGE RECEIVING DEVICES IN  
A DATA STORAGE SYSTEM

Docket No.: 10001664-1

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20 In response to the Office Action, paper number 13, dated May 5, 2003, please enter the following:

**R E M A R K S**

Claims 1-6 and 10-20 are pending. Claims 1-6 and 10-20 are rejected. Re-examination and reconsideration are requested.

25 In the Office Action, paper number 13, dated May 5, 2003, the examiner rejected claims 1, 5, and 6 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by or, in the alternative, under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as obvious over Menke, et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,841,744 ("Menke"). The examiner also rejected claims 2-4 and 10-20 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Menke.

30 Applicants believe that none of the currently-pending claims are anticipated by or obvious over the cited references and respectfully traverse the examiner's rejections for the reasons that will be set forth below.